

# INTEGRAL REPRESENTATIONS OF POSITIVE DEFINITE FUNCTIONS ON CONVEX SETS OF CERTAIN SEMIGROUPS OF RATIONAL NUMBERS

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ABSTRACT. H. Glöckner proved that an operator-valued positive definite function on an open convex subset of  $\mathbf{Q}^N$  is a restriction of the Laplace transform of an operator-valued measure on  $\mathbf{R}^N$ . We generalize this result to a function on an open convex subset of a certain subsemigroup of  $\mathbf{Q}^2$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of integers greater than or equal to 2, and let  $S(\vec{m})$  be the subsemigroup of the additive semigroup,  $\mathbf{Q}$ , of rational numbers, as defined by

$$S(\vec{m}) = \left\{ \frac{k}{m_1 \cdots m_n} : k \in \mathbf{Z}, n \geq 1 \right\},$$

where  $\mathbf{Z}$  denotes the set of all integers. For example, if  $m_n = n + 1$  for  $n \geq 1$ , we have  $S(\vec{m}) = \mathbf{Q}$ , and if  $m_n = 2$  for  $n \geq 1$ , then  $S(\vec{m})$  is the set of all dyadic rational numbers.

Let  $\Omega$  denote an open convex subset of  $\mathbf{R}^N$  ( $N \geq 1$ ) and let  $\varphi$  be a real-valued function on  $\Omega \cap \Pi_{k=1}^N S_k(\vec{m})$ , where  $S_k(\vec{m}) = S(\vec{m})$  ( $1 \leq k \leq N$ ). We say that  $\varphi$  is *positive definite* if

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi(r_i + r_j) \geq 0$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in \Pi_{k=1}^N S_k(\vec{m})$ , such that  $2r_i \in \Omega \cap \Pi_{k=1}^N S_k(\vec{m})$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . In [7], N. Sakakibara proved that  $[0, \infty[\cap S(\vec{m})$  is a perfect semigroup, that is, every positive definite function on  $[0, \infty[\cap S(\vec{m})$  has a unique representation as an integral of multiplicative functions. In [4], we obtained an integral representation of a positive definite function on  $\Omega \cap \Pi_{k=1}^N S_k(\vec{m})$  in the case where  $N = 1$ . In this note, we show that every positive definite function has an integral representation in the case where  $N = 2$ . We also give a condition for

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a function of  $\Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  into  $B(\mathcal{H})$ , where  $B(\mathcal{H})$  is the set of bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , to have an integral representation (Theorem 2.2). As will be seen, our methods are applicable to any number of dimensions. The result we obtain represents a generalization of a result by H. Glöckner ([6], Theorem 18.5). For integral representations of continuous positive definite functions on open convex sets of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , we refer to A. Devinatz [3].

## 2. Integral representations of positive definite functions

Define the function  $\chi$  on  $S(\vec{m})$  as follows (cf. [7]):

if the sequence  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  contains no even numbers, set

$$\chi\left(\frac{k}{m_1 \cdots m_n}\right) = (-1)^k, \quad \frac{k}{m_1 \cdots m_n} \in S(\vec{m});$$

if  $\vec{m}$  contains only finitely many even numbers, we may suppose that  $m_1, \dots, m_p$  are even and that  $m_q$  ( $q > p$ ) are odd. Then, we set

$$\chi\left(\frac{k}{m_1 \cdots m_p m_{p+1} \cdots m_n}\right) = (-1)^k, \quad \frac{k}{m_1 \cdots m_p m_{p+1} \cdots m_n} \in S(\vec{m}).$$

It is clear that  $\chi$  is well-defined and multiplicative, i.e.,  $\chi(r_1 + r_2) = \chi(r_1)\chi(r_2)$  for  $r_1, r_2 \in S(\vec{m})$ . In fact, the functions  $r \in S(\vec{m}) \mapsto e^{rx}$  and  $r \in S(\vec{m}) \mapsto \chi(r)e^{rx}$  (where  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ ) are the semicharacters of  $S(\vec{m})$  [7].

For a convex subset  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbf{R}^N$ , let us denote by  $E_+(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^N)$  the set of all positive Radon measures,  $\mu$ , on  $\mathbf{R}^N$  such that the function  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbf{R}^N \mapsto e^{r \cdot x} = e^{r_1 x_1 + \cdots + r_N x_N}$  is  $\mu$ -integrable for all  $r = (r_1, \dots, r_N) \in \Omega$ ; by  $E(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^N)$ , let us denote the set of all signed Radon measures,  $\mu$ , such that  $|\mu| \in E_+(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^N)$ . The  $\sigma$ -algebra of all Borel sets in  $\mathbf{R}^N$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^N)$ .

In order to state our results, we need the following ([4], Theorem 2.1):

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$  such that  $a < b$  and let  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of integers  $m_n \geq 2$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a positive definite function on  $]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ .*

- (1) *If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains at most finitely many even numbers, then there exist positive Radon measures  $\mu, \nu \in E_+(]a, b[, \mathbf{R})$  such that*

$$\varphi(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d\mu(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(r) e^{rx} d\nu(x), \quad r \in ]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m}).$$

*Moreover, the pair  $(\mu, \nu)$  is uniquely determined by  $\varphi$ .*

- (2) *If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains infinitely many even numbers, then there exists a uniquely determined measure  $\mu \in E_+(]a, b[, \mathbf{R})$  such that*

$$\varphi(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d\mu(x), \quad r \in ]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m}).$$

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$  such that  $a < b$  and let  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of integers  $m_n \geq 2$ .

(i) If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains at most finitely many even numbers, then the mapping  $\mathcal{L}_1 : E(]a, b[, \mathbf{R}) \times E(]a, b[, \mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m})}$ , defined by

$$\mathcal{L}_1(\mu, \nu)(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d\mu(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(r) e^{rx} d\nu(x), \quad r \in ]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m}),$$

is injective.

(ii) If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains infinitely many even numbers, then the mapping  $\mathcal{L}_2 : E(]a, b[, \mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m})}$ , defined by

$$\mathcal{L}_2(\mu)(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d\mu(x), \quad r \in ]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m}),$$

is injective.

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}_1(\mu, \nu) = \mathcal{L}_1(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\nu})$  for  $\mu, \nu, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\nu} \in E(]a, b[, \mathbf{R})$ . Using the Jordan decomposition  $\mu = \mu_1 - \mu_2$ ,  $\nu = \nu_1 - \nu_2$ ,  $\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}_1 - \tilde{\mu}_2$ , and  $\tilde{\nu} = \tilde{\nu}_1 - \tilde{\nu}_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d(\mu_1 + \tilde{\mu}_2)(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(r) e^{rx} d(\nu_1 + \tilde{\nu}_2)(x) \\ = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{rx} d(\tilde{\mu}_1 + \mu_2)(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(r) e^{rx} d(\tilde{\nu}_1 + \nu_2)(x), \end{aligned}$$

for  $r \in ]a, b[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ . By Theorem 2.1, we have  $\mu_1 + \tilde{\mu}_2 = \tilde{\mu}_1 + \mu_2$  and  $\nu_1 + \tilde{\nu}_2 = \tilde{\nu}_1 + \nu_2$ , such that  $\mu = \tilde{\mu}$  and  $\nu = \tilde{\nu}$ . (ii) is proved analogously.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbf{R} \cup \{\infty, -\infty\}$  such that  $a_i < 0 < b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and let  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of integers  $m_n \geq 2$ . Put  $I_i = ]a_i, b_i[$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and let  $\varphi$  be a positive definite function on  $I_1 \times I_2 \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ .

(i) If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains at most finitely many even numbers, then there exist positive Radon measures  $\kappa_i \in E_+(I_1 \times ] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[, \mathbf{R}^2)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ), where  $\varepsilon = \min\{\frac{|a_2|}{2}, \frac{b_2}{2}\}$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_1(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_2(x) \\ + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_3(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s)\chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_4(x) \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

for  $r = (s, t) \in (I_1 \times ] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[) \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ . The quadruple  $(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3, \kappa_4)$  is uniquely determined by  $\varphi$ .

(ii) If the sequence  $\vec{m}$  contains infinitely many even numbers, then there exists a uniquely determined measure  $\kappa \in E_+(I_1 \times I_2, \mathbf{R}^2)$ , such that

$$\varphi(r) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa(x), \quad \text{for } r \in I_1 \times I_2 \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m}). \quad (2)$$

*Proof.* (i) We use the technique that was used in the proof of Theorem 6.5.4 in [2]. For each  $t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ , define the functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  on  $I_1 \cap S(\vec{m})$  by

$$\varphi_1(s) = \varphi(s, 2t), \quad \varphi_2(s) = \varphi(s, 2t) + \varphi(s, 0) - 2\varphi(s, t)$$

for  $s \in I_1 \cap S(\vec{m})$ , respectively. Then,  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are both positive definite. Indeed, let  $n \geq 1$ ,  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in S(\vec{m})$  such that  $2s_i \in I_1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Then,  $(2s_i, 2t) \in I_1 \times I_2$  and we have

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi_1(s_i + s_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi(s_i + s_j, t + t) \geq 0.$$

As for  $\varphi_2$ , expressing the defining property of the positive definiteness of  $\varphi$  for  $c_1, \dots, c_n, -c_1, \dots, -c_n \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $(s_1, t), \dots, (s_n, t), (s_1, 0), \dots, (s_n, 0) \in \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ , we have

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi_2(s_i + s_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j (\varphi(s_i + s_j, 2t) + \varphi(s_i + s_j, 0) - 2\varphi(s_i + s_j, t)) \geq 0.$$

Therefore, by Theorem 2.1, there exist  $\mu_t^i, \nu_t^i \in E_+(I_1, \mathbf{R})$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) such that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(s, 2t) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{sx} d\mu_t^1(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{sx} d\nu_t^1(x), \\ \varphi(s, 2t) + \varphi(s, 0) - 2\varphi(s, t) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{sx} d\mu_t^2(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{sx} d\nu_t^2(x). \end{aligned}$$

For  $t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ , we define

$$\mu_t = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_t^1 + \mu_0^1 - \mu_t^2), \quad \nu_t = \frac{1}{2}(\nu_t^1 + \nu_0^1 - \nu_t^2).$$

By Proposition 2.1,  $(\mu_t, \nu_t)$  is a unique pair of measures in  $E(I_1, \mathbf{R})$  such that

$$\varphi(s, t) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{su} d\mu_t(u) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{su} d\nu_t(u) \quad \text{for } s \in I_1 \cap S(\vec{m}). \quad (3)$$

The mappings  $t \mapsto \mu_t$  and  $t \mapsto \nu_t$  are positive definite on  $]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$  in the sense that

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \mu_{t_i+t_j}, \quad \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \nu_{t_i+t_j} \in E_+(I_1, \mathbf{R})$$

for  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $t_1, \dots, t_n \in S(\vec{m})$  such that  $2t_i \in ] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[$ . To see this, we consider the function  $\psi : I_1 \cap S(\vec{m}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , defined by

$$\psi(s) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{su} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j d\mu_{t_i+t_j} \right) (u) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{su} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j d\nu_{t_i+t_j} \right) (u).$$

Then,  $\psi$  is positive definite because

$$\sum_{p,q=1}^m d_p d_q \psi(s_p + s_q) = \sum_{p,q=1}^m \sum_{i,j=1}^n (d_p c_i) (d_q c_j) \varphi(s_p + s_q, t_i + t_j) \geq 0$$

for  $d_1, \dots, d_m \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $s_1, \dots, s_m \in S(\vec{m})$  with  $2s_p \in I_1$  ( $1 \leq p \leq m$ ). By Theorem 2.1, there exists a unique pair  $(\rho, \sigma)$  of positive measures such that

$$\psi(s) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{su} d\rho(u) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{su} d\sigma(u).$$

From Proposition 2.1, it follows that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \mu_{t_i+t_j} = \rho$ ,  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \nu_{t_i+t_j} = \sigma \in E_+(I_1, \mathbf{R})$ . In particular, for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ , the functions  $t \mapsto \mu_t(A)$  and  $t \mapsto \nu_t(A)$  are positive definite on  $] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ . For the present, let us consider the function  $\mu_t(A)$ . By Theorem 2.1,  $\mu_t(A)$  can be uniquely represented as

$$\mu_t(A) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_A^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_A^2(v) \quad (4)$$

with  $\tau_A^i \in E_+(] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[, \mathbf{R})$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). The mappings  $A \mapsto \tau_A^i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  into  $E_+(] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[, \mathbf{R})$  satisfy the following:

- (a)  $\tau_\emptyset^i = 0$ ;
- (b)  $\tau_{\cup_n A_n}^i = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau_{A_n}^i$ , when  $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of disjoint sets in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ ;
- (c)  $\tau_A^i = \sup\{\tau_K^i : K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{R}), K \subset A\}$ , where  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{R})$  denotes the set of all compact sets of  $\mathbf{R}$ .

Let us verify these properties.

- (a) For every  $t \in ] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ , we have

$$0 = \mu_t(\emptyset) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_\emptyset^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_\emptyset^2(v).$$

Substituting  $t = 0$ , we have  $\tau_\emptyset^1(\mathbf{R}) + \tau_\emptyset^2(\mathbf{R}) = 0$ , such that  $\tau_\emptyset^i = 0$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ).

- (b) For  $t \in ] - \varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_{\cup_n A_n}^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_{\cup_n A_n}^2(v) &= \mu_t\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_t(A_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_{A_n}^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_{A_n}^2(v) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Setting  $t = 0$ , we obtain  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\tau_{A_n}^1(\mathbf{R}) + \tau_{A_n}^2(\mathbf{R})) = \mu_0(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \leq \mu_0(\mathbf{R}) < +\infty$ , which shows that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau_{A_n}^i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are Radon measures (cf. [2], Exercise 2.1.28). Furthermore, (5) implies that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau_{A_n}^i \in E_+(\cdot - \varepsilon, \varepsilon, \mathbf{R})$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and (b) follows from Proposition 2.1.

(c) By (a) and (b), we see that, for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ , the net  $\{\tau_K^i : K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{R}), K \subset A\}$  is increasing if the index set is ordered by inclusion ( $i = 1, 2$ ). By Exercise 2.1.29 in [2],

$$\tilde{\tau}_A^i = \sup\{\tau_K^i : K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{R}), K \subset A\}$$

is a Radon measure and  $\tilde{\tau}_A^i \leq \tau_A^i$ , in particular,  $\tilde{\tau}_A^i \in E_+(\cdot - \varepsilon, \varepsilon, \mathbf{R})$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). For each  $t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tilde{\tau}_A^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tilde{\tau}_A^2(v) &= \lim_K \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_K^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_K^2(v) \right) \\ &= \lim_K \mu_t(K) = \mu_t(A) \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_A^1(v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t) e^{tv} d\tau_A^2(v), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $\tilde{\tau}_A^i = \tau_A^i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ).

By (a), (b), and (c), the functions  $\Phi_i : \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}) \times \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , defined by  $\Phi_i(A, B) = \tau_A^i(B)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ), are Radon bimeasures; thus, by Theorem 2.1.10 in [2], there exist Radon measures  $\kappa_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) on  $\mathbf{R}^2$  such that

$$\Phi_i(A, B) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) 1_B(v) d\kappa_i(u, v) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} 1_B(v) d\tau_A^i(v) \quad \text{for } A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}),$$

where  $1_A$  denotes the indicator function on  $A$ . By standard arguments of integral theory, we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) h(v) d\kappa_i(u, v) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} h(v) d\tau_A^i(v)$$

for  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  and any  $\tau_A^i$ -integrable function  $h : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , in particular,

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) e^{tv} d\kappa_i(u, v) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{tv} d\tau_A^i(v), \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}), t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m}).$$

Combining this with (4), we have

$$\mu_t(A) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) e^{tv} d\kappa_1(u, v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) \chi(t) e^{tv} d\kappa_2(u, v)$$

for every  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  and  $t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ . Again, by standard similar arguments we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} g(u) d\mu_t(u) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} g(u) e^{tv} d\kappa_1(u, v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} g(u) \chi(t) e^{tv} d\kappa_2(u, v)$$

for any  $\mu_t$ -integrable function  $g : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . In particular, we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{su} d\mu_t(u) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{su+tv} d\kappa_1(u, v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(t) e^{su+tv} d\kappa_2(u, v)$$

for  $s \in I_1 \cap S(\vec{m})$  and  $t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap S(\vec{m})$ . Using a similar argument for the function  $t \mapsto \nu_t(A)$  ( $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ ), we obtain

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{su} d\nu_t(u) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) e^{su+tv} d\kappa_3(u, v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) \chi(t) e^{su+tv} d\kappa_4(u, v)$$

with  $\kappa_i \in E_+(I_1 \times ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[; \mathbf{R}^2)$  ( $i = 3, 4$ ). Thus, by (3) we obtain the desired representation of  $\varphi$ .

To prove the uniqueness of the representing measure, we suppose that signed measures  $\kappa_i \in E(I_1 \times ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[; \mathbf{R}^2)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ) satisfy

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_1(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_2(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_3(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) \chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_4(x) \equiv 0 \quad (6)$$

for  $r = (s, t) \in (I_1 \times ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[) \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ . Letting  $t \in 2S(\vec{m}) = \{2s : s \in S(\vec{m})\}$  in (6), we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{su+tv} d(\kappa_1 + \kappa_3)(u, v) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{su+tv} \chi(s) d(\kappa_2 + \kappa_4)(u, v) = 0. \quad (7)$$

Let us define  $\pi_i : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) by  $\pi_1(u, v) = u$  and  $\pi_2(u, v) = v$ , respectively, and put  $e_t = e_t(v) = e^{tv}$ . Then, by (7), we see that the image measures  $\omega_1 = (e_t(\kappa_1 + \kappa_3))^{\pi_1}$  and  $\omega_2 = (e_t(\kappa_2 + \kappa_4))^{\pi_1}$  satisfy  $\int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{su} d\omega_1(u) + \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(s) e^{su} d\omega_2(u) = 0$ , which implies that  $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = 0$ . This means that, for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$  and  $t \in ]-\varepsilon, \varepsilon[ \cap 2S(\vec{m})$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) e^{tv} d(\kappa_1 + \kappa_3) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} 1_A(u) e^{tv} d(\kappa_2 + \kappa_4) = 0.$$

By Proposition 2.1, we have  $(1_{A \times \mathbf{R}}(\kappa_1 + \kappa_3))^{\pi_2} = (1_{A \times \mathbf{R}}(\kappa_2 + \kappa_4))^{\pi_2} = 0$ , which implies that  $(\kappa_1 + \kappa_3)(A \times B) = (\kappa_2 + \kappa_4)(A \times B) = 0$  for  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ . Therefore,  $\kappa_1 + \kappa_3 = 0$ ,  $\kappa_2 + \kappa_4 = 0$ . Similarly, letting  $t \in S(\vec{m}) \setminus 2S(\vec{m})$  in (6), we obtain  $\kappa_1 - \kappa_3 = 0$ ,  $\kappa_2 - \kappa_4 = 0$ . Consequently, we have  $\kappa_i = 0$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ). Thus, the proof of (i) is complete.

(ii) Suppose that  $\vec{m}$  contains infinitely many even numbers. Then, for  $t \in I_2 \cap S(\vec{m})$ , the function  $s \mapsto \varphi(s, t)$  is positive definite on  $I_1 \cap S(\vec{m})$  because  $2S(\vec{m}) = S(\vec{m})$  and  $(s_1 + s_2, t) = (s_1, t/2) + (s_2, t/2)$  for  $s_1, s_2, t \in S(\vec{m})$ . Therefore, by Theorem 2.1, there exists a unique measure  $\mu_t \in E_+(I_1, \mathbf{R})$  such that

$$\varphi(s, t) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{sx} d\mu_t(x) \quad \text{for } s \in I_1 \cap S(\vec{m}).$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of (i) and is therefore omitted.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a complex Hilbert space,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be the inner product on  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $B(\mathcal{H})$  be the set of all bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ , and  $B(\mathcal{H})_+$  be the set of all positive operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ . We give a condition for a function of  $\Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  into  $B(\mathcal{H})$ , where  $\Omega$  is an open convex subset of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , to have an integral representation such as (1) or (2) of Proposition 2.2. We denote by  $E_+(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^2, \mathcal{H})$  the set of all functions  $F : \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^2) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})_+$  satisfying  $\langle F(\cdot)\xi, \xi \rangle \in E_+(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^2)$  for all  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}$ . In the following, we consider only the case where  $\vec{m}$  contains at most finitely many even numbers. We can also obtain an analogous result for the case where  $\vec{m}$  contains infinitely many even numbers.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $\Omega$  be a nonempty open convex set in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  and let  $\vec{m} = \{m_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of integers,  $m_n \geq 2$ , which contains at most finitely many even numbers. For a function  $\varphi : \Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})$ , the following conditions are mutually equivalent:*

- (i)  $\varphi$  is of positive type, in the sense that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n \langle \varphi(r_i + r_j)\xi_i, \xi_j \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq 1, r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ , such that  $2r_i \in \Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n \in \mathcal{H}$ ;
- (ii)  $\varphi$  is positive definite, in the sense that for each  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}$ , the function  $r \mapsto \langle \varphi(r)\xi, \xi \rangle$  is positive definite on  $\Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ ;
- (iii) For any fixed  $\alpha \in \Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 2S_k(\vec{m})$ , there exist functions  $F_i : \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^2) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})_+$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ) such that  $e^{-\alpha \cdot x} F_i \in E_+(\Omega, \mathbf{R}^2, \mathcal{H})$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi(r)\xi, \eta \rangle &= \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{(r-\alpha) \cdot x} d\langle F_1(x)\xi, \eta \rangle + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) e^{(r-\alpha) \cdot x} d\langle F_2(x)\xi, \eta \rangle \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(t) e^{(r-\alpha) \cdot x} d\langle F_3(x)\xi, \eta \rangle + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s)\chi(t) e^{(r-\alpha) \cdot x} d\langle F_4(x)\xi, \eta \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for  $r = (s, t) \in \Omega \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ ,  $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}$ .

Moreover, the quadruple  $(F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4)$  is uniquely determined by  $\varphi$  and  $\alpha$ .

*Proof.* Clearly (i) implies (ii), and by Proposition 1.1 in [5], we see that (iii) implies (i). To prove that (ii) implies (iii), we first suppose that  $\dim \mathcal{H} = 1$ . Once the case where  $\dim \mathcal{H} = 1$  is proved, the proof of the general case is obtained in a manner similar to that used for Theorem 3.1 in [4]. For an arbitrarily fixed  $\alpha \in 2S(\vec{m}) \times 2S(\vec{m})$ , let  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  be open intervals in  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $\alpha \in I_1 \times I_2 \subset \Omega$ . Then the function  $\varphi_\alpha : (I_1 \times I_2 - \alpha) \cap \prod_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , defined by  $\varphi_\alpha(r) = \varphi(r + \alpha)$ , is positive definite because

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi_\alpha(r_i + r_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j \varphi((r_i + \alpha/2) + (r_j + \alpha/2)) \geq 0$$

for  $r_i \in (I_1 \times I_2 - \alpha) \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  with  $2r_i \in I_1 \times I_2 - \alpha$ . By Proposition 2.2 there exist measures  $\kappa_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ), such that  $\varphi_\alpha$  has a representation of the form (1) on  $(I_1 \times \tilde{I}_2 - \alpha) \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  with some  $\tilde{I}_2 \subset I_2$ . Putting  $\Omega_\alpha = I_1 \times \tilde{I}_2$  and  $\kappa_i^\alpha = e^{-\alpha \cdot x} \kappa_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ), we have  $\kappa_i^\alpha \in E_+(\Omega_\alpha, \mathbf{R}^2)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(r) = & \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_1^\alpha(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_2^\alpha(x) \\ & + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_3^\alpha(x) + \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} \chi(s)\chi(t) e^{r \cdot x} d\kappa_4^\alpha(x) \end{aligned}$$

for  $r = (s, t) \in \Omega_\alpha \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$ . We show that each measure  $\kappa_i^\alpha$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ) is independent of the choice of  $\alpha$ . Suppose that  $\alpha, \alpha' \in \Omega \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  and  $\alpha \neq \alpha'$ . Let  $l$  denote the line segment between  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha'$ . Then there exist finite points  $\alpha = w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n = \alpha'$  in  $l \cap \Pi_{k=1}^2 S_k(\vec{m})$  such that  $\Omega_{w_p} \cap \Omega_{w_{p+1}} \neq \emptyset$  ( $0 \leq p \leq n-1$ ). By Proposition 2.1, we have  $\kappa_i^{r_p} = \kappa_i^{r_{p+1}}$  for each  $p$ . Therefore, we have  $\kappa_i^\alpha = \kappa_i^{w_0} = \kappa_i^{w_n} = \kappa_i^{\alpha'}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ), which completes the proof.  $\square$

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